#LIVELENT
How can you Live Lent?

Adoration Chapel
Open Everyday 6AM-8PM

Daily Mass 7:30am & NOON

Reconciliation & ADORE 7PM Thursdays

Stations of the Cross
on Fridays after NOON mass

Multi-Parish Lenten Mission
March 9-12 at 7pm in Church

Reconciliation Services
Multi-Parish Mar 30-Apr 1

BE DISCIPLES OF CHRIST.
MAKE DISCIPLES OF CHRIST.

FEB 23
2020

|Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time|
Jesus said to his disciples:

“So be perfect, just as your heavenly Father is perfect.” How many times do I hear myself saying nobody’s perfect? I suspect I am not alone in thinking that perfection is unattainable, so why even try. Jesus does not seek disciples to be average, or better than most. Jesus invites us to seek perfection in Christ and in doing so we are called to excellence, not mediocrity. Lent is our opportunity to pray harder, serve more and seek excellence. Please look at the spiritual renewal opportunities on the cover of the bulletin. I pray that as you receive your ashes this Wednesday you will repent and believe in the Gospel seeking to be perfect as your heavenly Father is perfect.

-Fr Matt

FORMING DISCIPLES

Come join us for a discussion of the book Toxic Charity by Robert Lupton. The book explores how charitable work, especially the work done by churches and non-profits, can impact a person or people in the long run. Toxic Charity is an interesting read and provocative enough that it should be good fodder for a lively discussion.

We’ll begin with a short presentation and then break out into a guided discussion in small groups.

The goals of the guided discussion are:

1. to look broadly at how we, as individuals and as a community, help those in need;
2. to understand and assess some of the principles, insights, and experiences described in Toxic Charity;
3. to discern, in light of Toxic Charity and our faith tradition, what we can do going forward to be of greatest service to those in need.

The discussion begins at 3pm on Feb. 29 in the Laramie Room and should last about 90 minutes. Please register for this event at www.stjamesah.org/toxic-charity/

We also invite all participants to join us for the 5pm Saturday Mass.

For more information or questions, please contact me at: frryan@stjamesah.org

-Fr Ryan
St James Religious Education
Places Focus on the Family

We started monthly Family Faith Nights to include the whole family in a faith building experience. We have had over 100 people at each of our three Faith Nights!

We also have Catechists send home summary emails to encourage parents to have a conversation with their children about the lesson.

We assist parents who want to take a more direct role in their child’s faith formation as a Catechist. Whether they teach their child through homeschool or in the classroom, they are accepting their role as the primary catechist to their children.

Like to learn more about the religious education for your child? Please contact our Children’s Formation Coordinator, Kevin Byrnes at 224-345-7217 or kbyrnes@stjamesah.org.

December Family Faith Night Holy Hour in the church.

RESTORE MISSION TRIP: ST. LOUIS

All 9th-12th graders: Join us for an epic summer mission away in St. Louis! Work projects could include anything from major rebuilds to minor repairs. In the evenings, teens will attend evening sessions filled with dynamic speakers and musicians and high quality programming to connect and strengthen teens and their relationships with one another and Jesus Christ. Each of these sessions will break open scriptural topics to build deeper spiritual connections with the teens and their Catholic faiths.

June 15-20, 2020 | Cost: $600*

For registration and more information: https://stjamesah.churchcenter.com/registrations/events/346998

*Cost of registration includes registration, transportation, meals, and housing.

Inviting all Middle Schoolers to join us 6:30 to 8:30 in the Laramie room!

February
25th: EDGE Night

March
3rd - EDGE Night
10th - EDGE Night in the Parish Center/ Gym
17th and 24th - No EDGE
31st - EDGE Night

April
7th, 14th, 21st, and 28th - EDGE Nights

May
5th - End of the the year Party
THIS WEEK AT ST JAMES

SUNDAY: LIFETEEN at 7PM in the Church
MONDAY: Children’s Rosary at 4PM SJS Chapel
        Alpha 6-8PM in Laramie Rm
TUESDAY: EDGE 6:30 in the Church
WEDNESDAY: ASH WEDNESDAY Masses at 6:30am
        7:30am, Noon, 2pm, 5pm, 7pm
THURSDAY: ADORÉ + Confessions at 7PM
FRIDAY: Stations of the Cross 12:30pm Church
SATURDAY: Toxic Charity Book Discussion 3PM
        in the Laramie Room

MINISTRY SPOTLIGHT

Save these Dates!

SAINT JAMES PARISH
ARLINGTON HEIGHTS
St. Edna’s, St. Colette’s, Saint Mary Parish &
Our Lady of the Wayside
prest
MULTI-PARISH
LENTEN 2020
MISSION

MARCH 9
God, the Universe, and Everything
(Matt’s conversion story)

MARCH 10
Parenting the Internet Generation

MARCH 11
How to Win an Argument Without
Losing a Soul

MARCH 12
My Mother is a Virgin (talk on Mary)
Adoration/Confessions offered

820 N. Arlington Heights Rd. Arlington Heights, IL 60005

ADULT FORMATION

SPRING SENIOR LUNCHEON

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 18
11:30AM-1:30PM
CHURCH’S LARAMIE ROOM

Hosted by St. James
Evangelization and Formation Team

*Understanding the Reformation through
40 Artistic Masterpieces*
Presented by Greg Kozak

RSVP BY MARCH 11TH
TO EVA AT (847)345-2305

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BASKETBALL CAMPS

Mike Small,
IBCA “Hall of Fame” Coach,
will run sessions of his popular
fundamental camps at
Our Lady of the Wayside
& four other locations for
boys and girls. The emphasis will
be on fundamentals with game
experiences and various contests. All
students will be separated
according to age and ability. Grades:
K–6. For locations dates and times
go to mike-small.com. If you have
any questions, contact Mike or
Tina Small at info@mike-small.com
847.635.8437
Ash Wednesday
Masses on Feb. 26th
All masses in the church
6:30 AM Fr Matt
7:30 AM Fr Matt
Noon Fr Ryan
2:00 PM SJS Fr Matt
5:00 PM Fr Matt
7:00 PM Fr Ryan

NEW THIS LENT!
Stations of the Cross
will move to 12:30pm in the church
(immediately following the Noon mass)
every Friday during Lent

*New Date and Location*
Join the PPC

We want you...
to consider joining the Parish Pastoral Council

Have you ever thought:
How are decisions made at St. James? Why didn’t they ask me? How can I support my parish? How can I share what my friends/pew-mates are telling me about the parish? Can I get involved and deepen my faith-life?

If so, consider joining the St. James Parish Pastoral Council (PPC). Come to our Informational meeting Monday, March 16th 6:30pm in the O’Brien Room. Light snacks will be provided. If you have any questions, or cannot attend the meeting but would like more information, please contact Amanda Noascono, Lynne Gasey or Mark Galioto at PPC@stjamesah.org.

We look forward to seeing you!

The EMPOWER Illinois Tax Credit Scholarship (TCS)
program 2-for-1 match ends next Saturday, 2/29.
Can YOU help our school families?

David & I began the Catholic School journey for our children almost 5 years ago. We were welcomed with open arms by the staff & parents of St. James School. We are blessed to be able to financially provide the Catholic education offered by SJS. Many families, however, are not in the same situation. These are the families that need tuition assistance in order to allow their children to flourish in the educational and spiritual environment that SJS offers. Through EMPOWER Illinois, we are all enabled to help these families. This tuition assistance is not only a financial support to them, but it also offers a 75% financial return benefit to us. Being able to receive a credit on our taxes by donating to a scholarship fund is an amazing opportunity. Plus, it’s an incredibly simple process that we plan to continue. The icing on the cake is the match offered to St. James through February 29th!

~ David & Pamela Kelly

archchicago.org/tcs
or call the Hotline at 312-534-2617

† Thank you for your support of our St. James school children! †
MINISTRY SPOTLIGHT

St. James Spring Blood Drive
March 1st
8:30 AM - 2PM

Like Baby Grace Bertram who received 4 blood transfusions in-utero, 90% of us will need blood at some time in our lives. Give the gift of life by donating blood at the St James Spring Blood Drive.

Sunday, March 1st
8:30 am until 2:00 pm
Held in the Parish Center/School cafeteria

It will be conducted by Vitalant Blood Services (formerly LifeSource). You can be a volunteer donor as long as you are at least 18 years old (16 with written parental permission), weigh at least 110 pounds and are in good health. If you want more detailed information on donating or to make an appointment, you can call our Vitalant Representative at 877-258-4825 (new number). Also walk-ins are always welcome. Thank you in advance for the gift of life.

MINISTRY SPOTLIGHT

GOLF, SUNSHINE, WARMTH & FUN

It’s never too early to start thinking about golf. The St. James Women’s Golf league is looking for regular and substitute players for our Friday morning league. We play 9 holes every Friday morning, starting at 8:16AM, from May 1 thru September 25, at Arlington Lakes Golf Club.

Dust off those clubs and contact Sue at 847-767-1388 or email smgarlic@yahoo.com for more info. We would love to have you join us.

PARISH RESOURCES

St. Vincent de Paul - is an emergency source for food and short-term financial help for those living within parish boundaries, please call 224-345-7200, ext. 8517.

Wheels to Worship - To participate in this ministry either as a passenger or driver, please contact Deb Amann at damann57@yahoo.com.

Stepping Stones - If you or someone you know may be in an abusive relationship, a path to safety exists. Get help. Call the NV Hotline at 800-799-SAFE, or locally, call WINGS 24-hour Hotline at 847-221-5680.

SPRED (Special Religious Education) - Faith development for young adults with special needs to help nurture the presence of God in themselves. SPRED is held every other Wednesday Oct. to May 7-8:30PM in the St. James School SPRED Room. Contact d.desmond@comcast.net for information.

Office for Protection of Children and Youth www.archchicago.org or call 312-534-5254

NAMI—Natl. Alliance on Mental Illness 847-899-0195

Aid for Women – Offers free life-affirming services to women in the Chicago area who find themselves facing unexpected pregnancies. Each woman is provided with the emotional, practical and spiritual support that she needs to choose life for her unborn baby and to provide a better future for both Call 24/7 pregnancy helpline (312) 621-1100 or main phone (312) 621-1107 for volunteer opportunities.

St James Over 50 Group: to provides events, activities, trips and speakers to our Over 50 parishioners - both spiritual and social. We have a board of directors that plan activities from September -June. Our events are published in the church bulletin and via email. For more information call Gerry at 847-398-2097.

Caregivers Ministry - help the people who give care to family members, at home or with their loved ones – with prayers and discussion. We meet the 2nd Friday of each month at 1PM in the Senior/Teen Room in the lower level of the church.

Elizabeth Ministry – Assists people in cherishing children, and witnessing to the dignity of all life, by treasuring the gifts of fertility and pregnancy, embracing natural family planning (NFP), supporting those with infertility problems, encouraging people in the adoptive process, and assisting families facing prenatal, infant or child death, illness or special needs. Local contact: ElizabethMinistry@stjamesah.org For Post-Abortion Counseling Help – call Project Rachel at Catholic Charities: 312-337-1962 www.hopeafterabortion.com
**week of March 1**

**Eucharistic Ministers:** B TEAM

**In Loving Memory**

Bernard (Ben) Scola  
Beloved husband to and preceded in death by Patricia and Teresa, father of Dan (Dianna), Dave (Charlene), Marie (Eric), Larsen, and Alison (Charles) McLaughlin. Stepfather of Timothy (Christine) Powers and Katie Chleborad.

Tiffany Kloeppel wife of Joshua Shaver. mother of Jayla Shaver. daughter of Paul and Virginia Kloeppel.

**Baptisms**

- Everett Joseph Karr child of Adam Karr and Ashley (Ellwanger) Karr
- Henry Alan McClure child of Matthew McClure and Anne (Accurso) McClure
- Nyla Reine Thomas child of Mario Thomas and Brianna (Troccoli) Thomas
- Wesley James Enlow child of Nick Enlow and Regina (Calabrese) Enlow
- William Scott Frederick child of Tyler Frederick and Amy (Bryniczka) Frederick

**Please pray for our sick...**

Jack Niemiec, Russ & Mary Wagner, Martha Wrobel, Ottilie Zeitler, David Bernardi

**Remembrances**

**Saturday Evening/Sunday February 22/23, 2020**

Dan Kennedy (32 yr anniv), Frances French (1st Anniv), John Mitchell, Mark Fiore, Dr. Alejandre Aldena, Joyce Bowes, John Glueckert Sr., James Bowes, Sam Girardi Jr., Sheila Mehigen

**Monday, February 24**

Aldo Coda, Maria Giuliano

**Tuesday, February 25**

Dolly Donatelle

**Wednesday, February 26**

Gilmore Krogsted, Joseph Hertvik, Marybeth T. Brawley (2nd Anniv)

**Thursday, February 27**

Nikki Carso

**Friday, February 28**

All the deceased members of our parish

**Saturday, February 29**

Helen Bailitz, Donald Knorr Sr., Dana Mani

**TODAY’S READINGS**

**First Reading** — Take no revenge and cherish no grudge; love your neighbor as yourself (Leviticus 19:1-2, 17-18).

**Psalm** — The Lord is kind and merciful (Psalm 103).

**Second Reading** — You are the temple of God, and holy (1 Corinthians 3:16-23).

**Gospel** — Offer no resistance; love your enemies (Matthew 5:38-48).


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**Thursday:** Dt 30:15-20; Ps 1:1-4, 6; Lk 9:22-25

**Friday:** Is 58:1-9a; Ps 51:3-6ab, 18-19; Mt 9:14-15

**Saturday:** Is 58:9b-14; Ps 86:1-6; Lk 5:27-32

**Sunday:** Gn 2:7-9; 3:1-7; Ps 51:3-6, 12-13, 17; Rom 5:12-19 [12, 17-19]; Mt 4:1-11

**MINISTRY SPOTLIGHT**

**Coming Home Veterans Retreat**

For Veterans & Adult Family Members of Military Veterans, Active Duty or Reserves

Having a loved one wear a military uniform can put tremendous stress on the family. It also creates a common bond among families that is never forgotten.

Join us for a single day retreat, an opportunity to gather with other military families who “get it.”

Call Teresa at 847-381-2625 or Email a Vet to learn more:

Dave Harman: daveharman110@gmail.com

**WEEKLY INTENTIONS**

**Rose For Life**

This week’s Rose for Life is donated by The Schaefer Family in loving memory of their husband and father Don Schaefer, on the second anniversary of his death.

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Sunday 7:00am  Traditional Cantor
Sunday 8:30am  Traditional Choir
Sunday 10:00am  Contemporary Choir
Sunday 11:30am  Contemporary Choir
Sunday 5:00pm  Contemporary Group

Weekday Masses (Church)
Monday – Saturday Mass at 7:30AM
Saturday Confessions 8-9AM

Holy Day Liturgy
Please see special schedules for Holy Days.

St. James Parish Council Contact:
Amanda Noascono PPC@stjamesah.org

Parish Office Hours
Monday-Thursday 9:00am—8:00pm
Friday 9:00am—6:00pm
Saturday & Sunday 9:00am—1:00pm

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224-345-7145

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Sacramental Celebrations
Baptism - Please call the Parish Office with your preferred date at least one month in advance.
Marriage - At least six months prior to your wedding date please contact the Parish Office about setting a date.
Reconciliation - Saturdays 8-9 AM and Thursdays 7-8 PM or call for an appointment anytime at 224-345-7200.

ADORE - Join us Thursdays in the Church for Eucharistic Adoration, procession of the blessed sacrament, a witness talk, meditative praise and worship music, silent prayer, and confession.